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NIANTIC. CONN., TUESDAY, MARCH 2, 1897.

The official reports of the German quinquennial census have just been published and show a remarkable increase in the population for the past ave years.

The returns for the Manchester (England) Canal seem to bear out the supposition that it is not such a "white elephant" as has generally been supposed.

A bill requiring saloon doors to bear the word "dangerous" in large letters received twenty-five votes in the Minnesota Senate. That was a majority of those voting, but it was not the two-thirds necessary to insure the passage of the measure.

Careful perusal of Western records shows the New York Sun that the South does not monopolize odd names. This is evident from the divorce in Missouri of Buck Sigerflip and the marriage in Kansas of Pete Juggersnap. At Carthage, Mo., Miss Trott is Secretary, of the Keep Pace Club.

In view of the severe depression which has prevailed in Australasia for the last half dozen years and of the fact that the financial collapse there was the forerunner of trouble elsewhere, the revival of prosperity at the Antipodes may be regarded as something more than a good omen for the rest of the world.

The Mark Lane Express, of Lon don, says there is a shortage of more than 1,000,000 quarters in the Indian wheat crop, and that the continued pressure of American flour on the British markets creates some uneasiness among British millers, who have flattered themselves that they were free from this competition.

The two famous Aztec relics-the aqueducts leading from Chapultepec to the City of Mexico-are being demolished by the Government. What the early Spanish conquerors commenced their desendants are determined to carry out. It is a pity that their relies of a past civilized race could not have been preserved to future

In celebration of the forthcoming jubilee of Queen Victoria, it is proposed by a party of gentlemen, with the Prince of Wales at their head, to raise a fund of \$16,000,000 for the maintenance of the public hospitals of London. Such an undertaking is worthy of the best impulses of British citizenship, and its success would doubtless be more gratifying to the venerable Queen than any of the other events which have been arranged in honor of her accession to the throne.

In Minnesota a Legislator has introduced a peculiar bill entitled, "An act to prevent the fostering of crime and morbid sentimentality." It provides that anyone not a near relative or clergyman who shall send flowers or other "tokens of admiration" to s condemned criminal shall be guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by fine and imprisonment. This may be some what stringent, observes Farm, Field and Fireside, but it is an attempt to put a stop to a most pernicious prac-

It is announced that the section devoted to science at the Brussels International Exposition this year will be international, the exhibits of various countries being distinguished by decorations in the National colors. The section is divided into seven classes, including mathematics and astronomy, physics, chemistry, geology and geography, biology, anthropology and bibliography. According to the plan pursued in all sections money prizes will be awarded to the exhibitors solving certain problems drawn up in the list of "desiderate and questions. The desiderata calls for thesis, and an exhibit illustrating the same, showing absolutely some advance or discovery.

Alfred Nobel, the inventor of dyna mite as merchandise, whose recent death has been recorded, during his life acquired a large fortune and has left the bulk of it to be devoted to promotion of science and the arts. His will, recently opened at Stockholm, Sweden, provides that his estate, barring a few bequeets of no great amount, shall constitute a fund, the income of which shall be distributed yearly among those "who dur! ing the preceding year shall have rendered the most eminent services to humanity." The income is to be divided into five equal prizes, to be awarded as follows: The first to the person who shall have made the most important discovery or invention in the domain of physics. The second to the person who shall have made the most important discovery or improve ment in the domain of chemistry. The third to the person who shall have made the most important discovery in the domain of physiology or of medicine. The fourth to the person who shall have produced the greatest work. in the ideal sense, in the domain of letters. The fifth to the person who shall have exerted the greatest or the best action for the fraternity of the peoples, for the suppression or diaction of permanent armies, and for the formation or spreading of peace congressor. It is asserted that the prices will amount to \$00,000

Our common joys, O what are they? The brightest and the best: They glad us in our busy walks, Are with us when we rest: An angel band, they hover 'round In walking and in dream, And o'er our hearts in saddest hours They shed a golden beam.

Our common joys, O what are they? But blessings felt within, For smallest deeds of goodness done

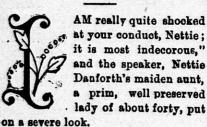
Amid a world of sin? The mite we give the child of want, The slightest word of cheer That lifts a heart with sorrow bowed,

Or dries a falling tear. Our common joys, O what are they? The priceless pearls and gold Which memory sifts upon the heart

When life is growing old; The thought that we have treasured up-Where naught can steal away-The consciousness of doing good

With every passing day. -C. D. Stuart.

### AUNT'S EXAMPLE.



"Why, auntie, what have I done?" queried Nettie, raising her blue eyes in well simulated surprise.

"You know too well, I fear, child. You will persist in trying by every means in your power to attract the attention of Ned Bartram, and really your flirtations with him are too much for me to endure calmly. I feel that I must remonstrate, and try to awaken within you a sense of modesty, which now seems deadened, or at least sleeping. Now, when I was young-"

"When you were young! Why, aunt, I hope you don't consider your self 'old-I don't," cried Nettie, with animation, hoping to distract her aunt's attention from herself by a lit-

tle delicate flattery. "Why-shem-no, child, not old of course, but I have passed the age of gushing school girlhood, and can now, from my twenty-eight years of experience judge more clearly of what is proper for a young girl like you."

"To be sure, aunt, I acknowledge that you know what is best; but you speak of your experience; do tell me about your old beaux," urged Nettie, mischievously.

"Reeny !" oni face expressed all the horror she felt. "Why, my dear, I never thought of such a thing! As I told you before, the ideas of the young girls of thenahem !-of a few years ago were not all bent on such things. Yet there are you who, with the examples that have been set you, should be a most modest, retiring girl, using your greatest endeavors to captivate this young man. It's shameful, positively hameful. I blush for you.'

"No, don't; I'il do it for myself." Nettie covered her face with her ands, and Miss Elmer observed, with great satisfaction, that her niece's face was quite crimson; but, alas! we are sorry to say it was not, as the good lady imagined, with mortification, but-suppressed laughter.

"I'll tell you what I'll do, aunt," continued Nettie, after a pause of apparent confusion. "I'll promise to follow your example. There, will that with so much care—she expected a able to sustain his weight, the shelf satisfy you?"

"Perfectly. And though I say it who shouldn't, I must say that I think you will find little to blush for if you certed plan, had excused herself on follow in my footsteps."

proudly; while Nettie, having given and received the kiss of reconciliation, managed to stifle her mirth until she reached her own room, where it declare his passion. found vent in a clear, melodious trill of laughter, as she said: "Ah, aunt, you think I don't know

about your demure flirtation with old Dr. Allen; of your occasional necessary visits to his office for medical aid. and your unexpected encounters in the street-ha, ha!-but I do. And it will be my own fault if I do not marry Ned Bartram, in spite of your shocked sense of propriety."

"It's all nonsense, my dear boy, sheer nonsense, the idea of you, who are hardly of age, talking of marriage."

And Ned Bartram's maternal uncle grew quite red in the face in his indignation. "Why, uncle, I'm twenty-five, I

should think I was old enough to be looking out for a wife—that is, if I ever I admit it; we certainly are odd when intend to have one, which I most cer- Cupid pierces us with his downy tainly do."

time enough. No man ought to marry withstand their bright glances and before he is thirty-five; he don't know sunny faces?" his own mind.' "But, uncle," expostulated Ned,

"who is going to wait all those years for a fellow? Certainly not pretty dozen lovers, and although I am happy to say that she has disearded them all in my favor, I could not think of presuming to ask her to wait a dozen years for me."

"Why, there are other young ladies my boy. To be sure, she is pretty, most solemn earnest. I have lost my men kept their noses to the grindstone and. I presume, is as sensible as most heart to your bewildering charms, young girls; but she is altogether too sweet one, and will not rise from be nervous and irritable beyond com young. Now, if I were to select I here until you promise to be my pare. If women would get their own should shoose some sensible woman of bride." materer are-say about such a person Much as she had longed and waited

COMMON JOYS.

you. She'd make a first-rate wife." "Ugh! she's forty if she's a day." muttered Ned to himself in disgust. Then, turning to his uncle, he said, smilingly:

"If you have such a fine opinion of the lady, why don't you marry her yourself, Uncle Allen?"

"I-I marry!" and the old gentleman's face became purple as he bustled to his feet. excited about the room, with hands clasped under his coat-tails.

"How absurd! Ned. you know I don't believe in such nonsense. I've lived fifty-five-ahem! forty years without thinking of it, and its not amused nephew.

"Well, my dear uncle, you see we disagree so upon that subject. Now, should call it anything but making a fool of yourself if you were to marry and, really, sir, I agree with you that They-they would tease me so about Miss Elmer is a fine old girl," said you, Jonathan, dear." Ned, mischievously.

"Old, sir, old? Why, Ned, my boy, what are you talking about? She tells lady of about forty, put -I-I mean I have been told that Miss proper age for matrimony."

"Well if you say so, why, of course, I am bound to believe you; but, really, if any one had asked my opinion, should have added ten or twelve rears more; but, anyhow, uncle, take my advice and marry her. You can't feel more charitably inclined toward room, I'll let you out." Nettie and myself."

"No thanks for your advice," roared until it is asked for, will you?"

"There" (as Ned opened his mouth s if about to speak, "not another work, sir. Get out of my room, will you, with your uncalled-for advice?" Ned smilingly obeyed.

He knew his uncle too well not to feel sure that his anger was only momentary, and that, as the old gentleman was really one of the best-hearted men living, he would have gotten well over his indignation before they met at table.

"Good Heavens!" murmured the doctor, as he sank exhausted into chair, and ran his hand nervously through his scanty curls, "the young rascal will have me accepted and married before I know it.

"Can he suspect my partiality for Miss Elmer? No, I think it is only his inveterate love of match-making. He is crazy to run his own head into a noose, and so wants everybody else to be as idiotic as he is."

And the offending nephew said to

himself as he walked away: "The old gentleman is certainly smitten with the peerless charms of Miss Elmer, and I shouldn't wonder if they made a match of it after all, as able spectacle did he present. Nettie predicts. Ha, ha! How uncle colored up when I proposed is?"

Miss Elmer sat in her brother's parlor alone, dressed in her best, and with her well-dyed hair arranged in the most becoming fashion.

She sat rigidly erect in her chair, as motionless as if sitting for her portrait; but it was for something far more important that she was attired

The family had all gone to a neighbor's to tea, but she, by a preconthe ples of a headache, and now, with And the lady lifted her head rather a fluttering heart, she awaited the coming of her visitor, Dr. Allen, who, she felt assured, would joyfully seize upon such a favorable opportunity to

> A low, rather irresolute knock sounded on the door, and Miss Elmer hastened to open it.

"Ah, is it you, doctor?" she cried smilingly. "Walk in. I am in solitary grandeur, and was feeling quite lonely."

"Lonely, my dear madam?" ejaculated the little doctor, as he removed his hat, and followed his hostess into the parlor. "Lonely! Oh, sweet lady, would I could guard you against all such feelings! Believe me, it would give me the most intense happiness," and he placed has hand upon his betrothed. his heart and bowed deeply.

"Why, doctor, how you talk!" and Miss Elmer simpered, and attempted time, "I promised to follow your exto blush behind her fan. "You men are such odd creatures."

"Odd, dearest madam, odd? Well, shafts. But then, madam, it is the

Miss Elmer really did color, this

hand, and she murmured:

as Miss Nettie's aunt, Miss Araminta. for this moment, during her long Ah, my boy, there's a sensible girl for years of spinsterhood, Araminta Elmer was dumb with delight, and a lit-

tle real embarrassment. But, mistaking her silence for aversion, the doctor cried: "If you won't have me. Araminta. I'll-I'll-take poison!"

"O-h!" screamed Miss Elmer. "I will," he averred solemnly, forgetting his late delaration, and rising

"Oh, then, Jonathan, I will promise anything you please," cried Miss Elmer, blushing. "Take me, dearest, I am yours!"

And she flung herself into his arms. But her weight was almost too much likely I am going to make a fool of for the enamored doctor, who staggered myself now, is it? Is it, I say, sir?" back, and would undoubtedly have demanded he, indignantly, halting fallen, had not a knock just then his chubby little person before his sounded on the front door, and Miss Elmer withdrew herself from his arms,

"Oh, my! they have returned. What shall we do? I would not have them find you here for anything.

And she simpered. "Good gracious, Aramintal" cried the doctor, mopping his hot face with his handkerchief. "I'm sure Elmer is twenty-eight or so; just the | wouldn't have that rascally nephew of mine find me here for a thousand dollars. Cannot you hide me?"

The knocking was repeated, this time much louder.

"Yes, this way," cried Araminta in desperation, and she pushed him into the china closet. "They won't find do better, and then perhaps you will you here, and as soon as they leave the

"One moment, my dear," claimed the doctor, popping out his the irascible old gentleman. "Keep it head as she was closing the door; "you promise to be mine?"

"Yes, yes, anything-only get in," she cried, in a panic, and satisfied, the doctor drew in his head, and his betrothed closed and locked the door and pocketed the key with a sigh of re-"Ah, is it you? I declare, you gave

me quite a start. I was dozing," fibbed Miss Araminta, blandly, as she admitted Nettie and Mr. Bartram. "I thought I heard some one talking to you as we stood upon the steps,

said Nettie, suspiciously. "Oh, Mr. Bartram," cried Nettie, suddenly, "have some of the finest

cake; mother made it yesterday. You must taste it," and she cssayed to open the door of the chips closet. "Why, it is locked! Where can the

key be?" she cried, wonderingly. A rattling of dishes sounded within the closet, followed by a crush and a wild cry, and then a voice exclaimed:

"Oh, oh! Help! Murder! I'm killed! Let me out " Miss Araminta uttered a piercing

scream and fainted. The door was burst open, and out hobbled the doctor, and a most piti-

His hands, face and clothes were bedaubed with Mrs. Danforth's best preserves, and he limped painfully, emitting a deep groan at every step. for one of his feet was held firmly in a large trap which had been set to catch the mice that infested the closet.

On hearing Nettie's attempt to open the closet door, he had, in a blind attempt at concealment, essayed to climb upon the topmost shelf, but ungave way, and precipitated him, together with a quantity of china, to the floor

Despite the poor man's distress, his appearance was so ridiculous that it caused an irresistible burst of laugh-

He was soon released from his un pleasant predicament, and was then much more inclined to treat the affair

Ned began to quiz him unmercifully, but Dr. Allen was equal to the occasion, and taking the hand of the

blashing Araminta, who had recovered from her swoon, he said bravely: "Yes, Ned, I have, after all, concluded to marry, and the sooner you follow my example, you young dog, the better; and the day that sees pretty Miss Nettie here your bride sees you the possessor of ten thousand

"Nettie has premised to marry me uncle," said Ned, taking the hand of

dollars."

"And you know, auntie," said Net tie, laughing and blushing at the same ample."

### Why Women Break Down.

There is little doubt that women are breaking down more rapidly than men, because they allow themselves to "Pshaw! ten years hence will be ladies who are to blame, for who can take less real rest. When a woman lets go of any work she may have in mind she ties it to her apron string, as And he gave her a most affectionate it were. She has been taught through long ages of training that it is a high orime and a misdemeanor to let any. time from excitement, for she felt that thing escape her mind, so she is con-Nettie Danforth. Why, she has had a the decisive moment was very near at stantly, when she is at rest, pinching herself or prodding herself to see if "Dear me, doctor, what a flatterer she hasn't forgotten something. In this way she carries the burdens of her "I assure you, dear lady. I do not work into her resting hours, and sits flatter. Ab. Araminta!" and down down among the roses of relaxation plumped the little doctor upon his with her foot on the treadle of the in the world besides Nettie Danforth, knees. "I assure you that I'm in the grindstone of prosy drudgery. If with womanly persistence they would consent to rest they would have a

### FROM WOOD FIBER.

A NEW PROCESS OF MAKING ARTIFICIAL SILK.

The Product is by No Means a Inferior 'Article - The Silk Worm's Methods Are Closely Copied.

HE year 1897 will be able to boast of an innovation notably interesting to the feminine section of the community-to wit, the introduction of artificial silk manufacture into the United States. Wood-common or garden timberwill be the material from which the new silk is to come, and our sisters, nats and cousins, our mothers, wives and daughters, will no longer have to depend for their best gowns upon the health of the mulberry-eating silkworm. In point of fact, the fashion prophets are already hinting that the cheapness and widespread use of the artificial fabric may have the effect of attiring the masculine element, the dandies and gallants, in the silken garments of their far-away forebears. Artificial silk making in this country

during the year 1897 is, apparently, an assured fact. Already in France and England the process is being tried with success. For years, however, what is now an accomplished fact was looked upon as the modern inventors' philosophet's stone. Scientists by the hundred spent fruitless years in efforts to manufacture wood silk. At last, where so many other and greater men had failed, Count Hilliare de Chardonnet discovered the secret. The story of M. de Chardonnet's invention is almost a romance. The worthy count. born in the silk-growing districts of the Rhone, became a graduate of the Parisian Ecole Polytechnique, and eventually a knight of the Legion of Honor. This accomplished, he retired on his laurels to his native Lyonnais, where he spent many days in philosophical meditations. On a certain sultry afternoon, while sitting in his park and carelessly munching a strip of bark from one of the trees, he noticed the fibrous character of the scrap of white rind. From this, a rapid train of thought brought him to the crude idea of the subsequent great invention. Thereafter the count shook off his habits of sloth, abandoned his woodland siestas, and devoted his life to the procuring of silk from wood. the count was a man of courage and perseverance. After years of labor he succeeded in perfecting an invention which is really a mechanical and

chemical marvel. The process by which wood is converted into silk fibre is a very interesting one. A number of different kinds of wood may be used, white pine or spruce being best adapted to the purpose, but it is also said that the sottonwood, so common in the middle West, will make excellent silk. The wood is first ground to a pulp in the isual manner, and the pulp is macersted in a solution of nitric and sulphuric acid. The acids are then soneezed out, and the pulp is immersed in vats of water, where it is left until thoroughly cleansed. After the water is drawn off and the mass has partially dried, it is put into a huge revolving cylinder containing alcohol and ether, and is left to the induence of these substances for some hours. From here it is passed through a fifter, and comes out as a sort of heavy gum which closely resembles

solodion. It is from this gum-like substance that the silk is directly produced, and houses of correction and homes for the the spinning process, which comes friendless. next, is perhaps the most interesting of all, because in it the silk worm has trouble. Push means a lift for yourbeen closely copied. The gum or col- self out of the slough of despondency lodion is forced into pipes which run and shiftlessness, out of trouble, real along beside the spinning machines. and fancied. Push never hurts any-From these pipes are suspended a body. The harder the push the better, number of small glass tubes, the sper- if it is given in the right direction. tures in which are not more than half | Always push up-hill-few people need or a quarter as large as that in the a push down hill. Don't be, aid of tube of an ordinary house thermome- your muscles and sinews; they were ter. The pneumatic pressure forces the given you to use. Don't be afraid of semi-liquid substance into these glass your hands; they were meant for tubes, which are the artificial substitute for the silk worm. The spinner companion may say. Don't be afraid touches her finger to the opening in of your conscience; it will never rethe lower end of the glass tubes, the proach you for a good deed-but push substance adheres to it, and she draws it with all your heart, might and soul, out a filament as fine as that which is whenever you see anything or anyspun by the silk worm. Contact with body that will be better for a good, the air hardens the filaments at once, strong, long, determined push. and they are guided directly into the Push! It is just the word for the bobbin and spun off in the same man- grand, clear morning of life; it is just ner as the natural product. It takes from six to ten of the small filaments. according to their fineness, to make a that is full of work as this is. If any single strand of silk fibre. This is body is in trouble, and you see it, done by simply guiding the necessary don't stand back-push! number of filaments to the same bobbin, and then pressing them together in any place where you happen to be, at a point between the tubes and the push! bobbin. Not only do the strands adhere at that point, but they continue to join there as the reel moves on. The thread is kept of the uniform thickness by the openings in the glass tubes, which are all of one size.

As the thread is reeled off from the day. glass tubes it is of a light straw color and looks exactly as silk fiber does at this wood pulp silk which require still respective portions. further processes before it is finished. In the first place, the fiber is reudered

luster, which is done by ironing. The thread is passed over revolving rollers. which stretch and iron it in much the same way that the big machines in a steam laundry iron your collars and

handled. Then comes the final and

important process of imparting the

cuffs. The artificial silk takes on the colors of the dye as easily and brilliantly as the natural kind, and if s bundle of the artificial fiber is placed beside the product of the silk worm it is impossible to distinguish one from the other. When woven into fabrics it is, of course, equally impossible to tell the difference. Artificial silk imported from England has already been sold in this country, but whether it is equal to the natural product is a question on which silk dealers seem to be divided. The advocates of the new industry insist, however, that if there

### Killed by a Pair of Gloves.

is any advantage in the matter of ap-

pearance and durability it rests with

the artificial silk .- Washington Star.

The Nihilists of Russia have extraordinary methods of getting rid of their official enemies.

For instance, about a year before the death of the late Czar, Count Tcheremetieff was killed by a pair of poisoned gloves. The Count, one of the wealthiest and most powerful noblemen in Russia, was an intimate friend of Alexander, having been his playmate in boyhood, and, moreover, related to his Imperial Majesty by ties of morganatic kinship. He was intrusted with the direction of the military portion of the Imperial household, and was in constant and daily attendance upon his Imperial master.

Like most of the dignitaries of the Court, he had, in addition to his superb palace on the Nevsky Prospect, a residence in the Emperor's palace. One day, summoned in haste to the Czar, he snatched up from a side table in the ante-chamber his sword, white astrachan bonnet and gloves, which, as usual, were laid out all ready for

The gloves were exactly like those he always wore, even to the extent of being no longer quite fresh. They had evidently been clumsily impregnated with poison, for, while standing before the writing table in the library talking to the Czar, he suddenly fell to the floor with a look of intense agony upon his distorted features, exclaiming: "My hands, my hands!"

The Emperor, burly though he was, leaned over the table, raised the Count from the floor, and laid him on a lounge, calling for assistance as he did so. At first the physicians believed that the Count had succumbed to heart disease: but when the Emperor, in describing the incident, mentioned the exclamation uttered by the dying man, their attention was drawn to his

When ungloved, the Count's hands gave forth a strange, pungent, aromatic odor, and were swollen and dis-

It was only then that it dawned upon the medical men that the Count had been assassinated by means of his gloves. On being subjected to chemical analysis it was shown that the gloves had been impregnated with a poison derived from an Abyssinian vegetable substance little known in Europe. - Answers.

If there was more push in the world there would be fewer hungry, halfclothed, homeless suffering children: fewer broken-down dissipated men and women; less need of almshouses.

Push means a lift for a neighbor in service. Don't be afraid of what your

the word for strong arms and young hearts; it is just the word for a world If there is anything good being done

### The Poorest Man.

The poorest man in the world is he who has a large amount of money without knowing how to beneficiently use it. And be grows poorer every

A Rome dispatch to the Standard says that in order to avoid postmortem this stage of its manufacture. But disputes the Pope is ready to put his there are certain peculiarities about three nephews in possession of their

The number of convictions for very inflammable by the chemical duelling has almost doubled in Gerchanges it has undergone and must be many in the last five years. It was denitrified before it can be safely sixty in 1891 and 107 in 1895.

WISE SAYINGS.

The eye of faith can see in the dark. Oak trees cannot be raised in a hot

Some of the most deadly serpents save the brightest skins. The biggest dollars we see are those

ust out of our reach. It is not what we do but what we

ove that decides our fate. Smallpox is not any more contagious han a good example.

The man who is always looking for nud generally finds it.

The emphatic part of our life is what ve do, not what we say.

The shortest cut to wealth is through the lane of contentment.

One of the tests of a fine nature is he effect joys and sorrows have upon

The man who controls himself makes inwritten laws for many other people. The man who does most without a rood motive. will have most to regret. Fill the place you now have more

than full and you will soon have a

better one. Wait on yourself pleasantly, and you will be waited on by the most re-

iable servant. The world is a mirror; if you will show the world a pleasant face, it will

reflect back a pleasant face.

Hope nothing from luck, and the probability is that you will be so prepared, so forewarned and forearmed' that all shallow observers will call you

A good man is the best friend, and herefore, is first to be chosen, longest to be retained, and, indeed, never to be parted with, unless he ceases to be his own money." "Of course you do. hat for which he was chosen.

### The Duke's Keen Observation,

It is told of the Duke of Wellington that he was once out fox hunting, when the hounds on reaching the bank of a small river lost the scent. The master of the hounds apologized to the Duke. "I'm afraid, your Grace, our fun is over. The dogs can't pick up the scent-"

"Ten to one," replied the Duke, 'the fox has crossed over by some bridge."

"Not very likely, my lord. A fox ates water."

"Aye, aye," urged the Duke, "but he may have crossed over by some "I don't believe there is a bridge,"

nswered the master of the hounds. "Well, continued the Duke, "uness you know to the contrary, though was never here before, I will wager

trifle you will find one within a

The two men, followed by the hunt, pushed on, and less than a mile off came upon a rudely constructed bridge. The dogs crossed it, again took up the scent and killed the fox. Asked for his reason for asserting that there was a bridge near, he answered: "I saw three or four cottages, clustered tagether on each bank of the river, and I thought the people living in them would be tempted by their social feelings to contrive a means of visiting each other. That same inference of mine gained me one of my

### Secret Senate Sessions.

battles."

Ex-President Harrison says in the Ladies' Home Journal: In the Senate the use of the secret session is frequent and familiar. The Senate rules provide that on a motion made and seconded to close the doors on the discussion of any matter, the doors shall be closed and remain closed during such discussion. So when Executive nominations or treaties are under consideration, the galleries are cleared and the doors closed-only Senators and certain necessary officers who are sworn to secrecy being allowed in the chamber. There has been an earnest attempt made to abolish the secret sessions of the Senate, but it has been ineffectual. These sessions are called "executive sessions," because they are almost wholly devoted to executive business-namely, the consideration of appointments to office and foreign treaties. It seems to me that it is quite as necessary and appropriate that the consultations in the Senate as to appointments, and especially as to treaties, should be confidential as that the conference between the President and his Cabinet, or between the President and others whom he may consult about the same matters, should

#### The Best Charity, The best charity is that which

prompts us to think well and speak well of our neighbors. Even if they be openly condemned, and that with warrant, it is a noble charity in us not to gall their wounds by multiplying knowledge of their offences. We are all ashamed to confess that our others, or to magnify the ill we hear. | burned away. There is a universal shrugging of the shoulders, as much as to say: "Well, I expected as much," "I had my suspicions," etc.. "I could a tale unfold." Now, he who says, "I could a tale unfold," yet holds it back, leaving the hearer to infer any and every evil, stabs character with the meanest, this poisoned dagger?

Oh, happy was the thought of those Who reckoned by the setting sun Not finished days, but days begun-Hushed days begun with starred reposel Wise had it been that mode to keep-To say that death, like supset brings A source and not an end of things.

FUN OF THE DAY.

A new day opening with a sleep.

-G. W. Wood, in the New York Tribune.

PRICE THREE CENTS.

The wise man would rather fall

among thieves than fools.—Life. The shorn lamb of Wall street is apt to spend his time trying to raise

the wind .- Puck. She-"Was the piece well done?" He-"Oh, yes; the critics reasted it."

-Yonkers Statesman. "Madge is such a peculiar girl." "How so?" "She thinks she hasn's any peculiarities."-Chicago Record.

He was a reckless youth. "How

old are von?" he asked boldly. "Sir." she said, "I am not old."-New York Journal. Scribbler-"Does your wife laugh

at your jokes in the paper?" Punster -"Yes, but only on pay day."-Commercial Advertiser. Willie-"Are you the nearest relative I've got, mamma?" Mother-

"Yes, love, and your pa is the closest

relative you've got."-Tit-Bita "Does your wife call you as many pet names as she did when you were first married?" "Er-not as many pet ones."-Indianapolis Journal.

His mood was very much the same No matter what he saw; He sighed for sunshine till it came, And then abused the thaw.

—Washington Star. "I hold to the theory that a man

> You are single."-Indianapolis Jour-Kindly Visitor (noticing the empty cage)-"Did your canary die a natural death?" Little Reginald (promptly)

> has a right to do what he pleases with

- "Yes, ma'am; the cat ate him."-Puck. Smith-"Jones seems to have no thought for anything except his clothes." Brown-"Yes; he is perfectly wrapped up in them."-Yale

"They say you have no sympathy for the struggling poor." "Me?" said the accused gentleman. "I have nothing but sympathy."-Cincinnati Enquirer.

Record.

about her literary ambitions." "Why? Has she sold anything?" "No; but her handwriting is getting worse and worse."-Chicago Record.

"Is he a scientific fighter?" "Sci-

entific?" echoed the pugilist contemptuously, "Why, he couldn't parse a single sentence of his challenge!"-Washington Star. "What made your future son-in-law go away just now with such a disanpointed mien? Have you quarreled?"

each other our debts."-Fliegende Jack Bachelor-"So you think Scribbler is a true poet because be only gets his hair trimmed twice a year, is that it?" Fritz, the Berber-'Ach! no. I t'ink he vas a true poet

"Oh, no. We merely confessed to

### pecause he neffer pays me for trimming it, py chiminy !"-Puck.

A Testimonial. A manufacturer presented a cyclist with a box of meat tablets. "Drop me a line as to how you like them," he wrote. A few days after the race, the "testimonial" arrived. It ran: "You asked me to let you know my experiences with your patent meat tablet. and I have much pleasure in complying with your request. Feeling in need of food, I, in the sixty-fourth mile, began to suck one of your tablets. The effect was almost instantaneous. Passing the sixty-fifth milestone, I chucked the blooming lot into a field."

### -Glasgow Times. Country Press's All-Aroundness,

The country editor, admits the Boston Journal, has this advantage over a city paper, that while his publication cannot in the nature of the case secare so wide a circulation, every copy that is distributed has a closer and more attentive reading. It stays in the home at least until the next week's issue displaces it. What we may call the all-aroundness of the country press is one of its most striking features. The intelligence, fidelity and capacity of the men who conduct the country press merit cordial recognition.

### Mine That Burns Perennially.

John Elliott's coal mine, at New Straitsville, Ohio, was set afire by strikers twelve years ago and was afterward abandoned. It is still burning. It has been discovered that unless the fire is extinguished it will reach other mines, and will also let many houses drop into the flery hole, quickest instincts are to think ill of the roof of which has been nearly

#### Butter Twenty-seven Years Old. Mrs. Lucretia Ester, who had at least

the Bay, Rockland, Me., at the age of 101, and left to the nurse who had cared for her during her last illness a jar of butter which she had in her deadliest blow. Yet who is there that trunk for twenty-seven years. The carries not this ever-ready weapon- butter looked well, thank you - New York Sun.

one eccentric idea, died at Head of

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The Greenwich Graphic of last week was a very fine number, consisting of twelve pages and containing many fine half-tone engravings. It is a credit to its town and the publisher.

The Sixteenth annual report of th Connecticut Humane society has just been received. It is a clear and comprehensive review of the work of the society during the past year, showing results accomplished and the aims and plans of the society. The Humane society is doing a grand work and should be more heartily supported than

Business propects all over the country seem to be growing brighter day by day and encouraging reports are heard on every hand. Factories long shut down are starting up; others are taking on additional help and new business enterprises are being promoted. It looks now as though the incoming administration was to bring a boom with it and that business of all descriptions would start up very soon after the inauguration of President McKinley. We do not feel it here at home as quickly as do the larger places, but the revival in business is bound to strike the small towns in good time.

Every bit of good road made, any where in Connecticut, means new converts to the good-roads gospel. It marks real progress in civilization. It is an outward and visible sign of enlightened public spirit in the communi ty-yes, and of business sense, too. Good roads pay. They make easier and quicker going between the farm and the town. They make life a pleasanter, smoother, more comfortable affair all around. Connecticut has not taken hold of this practical modern improvement merely to drop it. There will be more of the good roads in this state before there are fewer .- Hartford Cour-

> W. C. T. U. Statement of Principles

We believe in the coming of His kingdom, whose service is perfect freedom, because His laws written in our members as well as in nature and in grace, are perfect, converting the soul.

We believe in the Gospel of the Golden Rule, and that each man's habits of life should be an example safe and beneficient for every man to follow.

We believe that God created both man and woman in his own image and, therefore, we believe in our own standard of purity for both men and women, and in the equal right of all to hold opinions, and to express the same in the home, on the platform, in the pulpit and at the ballot box.

We believe in a living wage; in an eight-hour day; in courts of conciliation and arbitration; in justice as opposed to town, Saturday. greed of gain; in "Peace on earth and good will to men."

We, therefore, formulate and for our selves adopt the following pledge asking our sisters and brothers of a common danger and a common hope, to make common cause with us in working

its reasonable and helpful precepts into the practice of every day life: "I hereby solemnly promise, God helping me, to abstain from all distilled,

fermented and malt liquors, including wine, cider and beer, and to use all proper means to discourage the use of and traffic in the same."

To confirm and enforce the ratoinale of this pledge, we declare our purpose to educate the young: to form a better sentiment; to reform, so far as possi- coran went to Hartford, Thursday, ble by religious, ethical and scientific where the former purchased a horse for means, the drinking classes; to seek the transforming power of divine grace for ourselves and all for whom we work, confined to his home since last Decemthat they and we may willfully tran- ber by an injury to one of his limbs, is scend no law of pure and wholesome living; and finally, we pledge ourselves to labor and pray that all these princi-

T. U. Annual Leaflet. A public meeting under the auspices of W. C. T. U., will be held in Flanders Baptist church, Sunday evening, March with St. Paul's Episcopal chapel at the pumpkin, squash, blueberries, raspber-7th, (our free-will offering day.) An residence of Dr. T. B. Bloomfield, West- ries, plums and mince for pie timber. interesting program has been arranged. brook, on Wednesday evening last. Mr. The children of the L. T. L. will take Hull rendered several pleasing vocal three cans of first class corn for 25c., take an active part in the exercises. solos which were enthusiastically re-Sisters from neighboring unions have ceived. been invited and express a willingness

MARY C. GORTON, Press Supt.

OLD LYME.

J. P. Van Bergen of New York, was in town a few days last week. Mrs. T. B. Farwell was in New Lon-

don last Thursday. n Boston last week.

Mrs. J. G. Perkins and Miss Elgie were in New London last Thursday. Charles Davison of New Haven spent Sunday with his father D. M. Davison.

Mrs. Richard Mather is quite sick at her home. Dr. Wallace is in attendance. Mr. and Mrs. Richard Mather Jr.

John Mc Cabe of Birmingham, made a visit with his father, Mr. Thomas Mc

James Mather of New Haven was in town Saturday visiting his mother

Mrs. Richard Mather. An entertainment for the young people will be held this evening at Miss

Mr. William N. Austin is treating his house to a coat of paint which adds very much to its appearance.

Miss Augusta Griffon was in New Haven a few days last week visiting her sister, Mrs. Horace' Wells.

Mr. and Mrs. George Applebey were made happy by the appearance of a little boy born early last week.

Miss Mamie Champion of New London spent a few days of last week visiting with Mr and Mrs. James Rowland. Mr. and Mrs. George Cone of Hartford, arrived in town Friday and are will be amputated, as there is no way making a visit with Mr. and Mrs. James

Bradbury.

last week; they evidently thought that be dangerous. the farmers in town were badly in need of cash as they only offered about half what the stock was worth and the result was that no sales were completed. ed of snow in the winter so as to be

and Cleveland, who are instructing protected."

them in the art of batting also in sliding bases. Hal Faton is showing up well in the catchers box, while Bert Brown is speeding the curves and straight balls over the plate in a manner that is sure to bother many opposing batsmen before the series is over. In the cage the new members are hitting the ball hard and some of the old members will have to hustle to keep their places. This especially is so in the case of Schuel at

good not a good hitter. Young Smith is not as he is a stronger batter he will probaply get the place as the managers have decided to put a hard hitting team on the diamond this year.

CLINTON.

A. H. Sellew, of New London, was town, Saturday.

Martin Fletcher of New London, was in town Monday.

Mrs. A. E. Ward, who has been quite ill, is improving.

H. D. Utley of New London, was in town, Thursday.

W. H. Merrill attended the New Haven Gun club tournament, Monday. Joseph H. Buell of New York, passed the Sabbath at his old home in town.

David C. Dibbell of New York, was at his old home in town over Sunday. Detective Gibson of New Haven, was

in town Friday, on official business. Miss Jennie Füller has been passing several days at her home in Higganum. The Grange met Friday evening and initiated a class of three into merber-

Fred Hurd and his grandmother, Mrs. Emily Hull, visited friends in Saybrook, Thursday.

Mrs. Lillian Chappell and daughter, of Saybrook, were calling on friends in

Frank Bacon, of Hartford, was in town the past week the guest of his brother, E. R. Bacon. Mrs. Alex. Merrill was the guest of

her daughter, Mrs. Paul Swole, in New Haven, over Sunday. Hon. Henry Smith's family, Brooklyn,

are passing a few days at their summer home at Hammonassett.

Forest Holly of Lockport, N. Y., and Mrs. Ira A. Holly of New Haven, were guests of Mrs. A. W. Buell, Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Johnson returned in the Public hall next Tuesday evenfrom their wedding trip Saturday after- ing. A good orchestra will be in atnoon. They will reside at the home of the groom on High street.

Captain T. F. Meigs and Dennis Coruse in his ice business.

Captain L. R. Oakes, who has been once more able to be out.

Washington's birthday was quietly vantake of the holiday afforded.

W. P. Hull and R. C. Meigs attended a meeting of the Guild connected and raspberries, cranberries, canned

Among the Washington's birthday to come over into Macedonia and help guests in town were A. C. Bushnell, On Friday, Feb. 19th, a daughter was us. Come one, come all. We will try to New Haven; W. E. Bradley, Hartford; born to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Chapman do you good. Let your light so shine be- Thomas Anderson Jr., New York; the and on Sunday a daughter was born to fore men that they may see your good Misses Sadie and Winnifred Kelsey, Wal- Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Clark, Monday a werks and glorify your Father which is lingford; Miss Rita Lord, East Haven, son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Carl and the Misses Charlotte and Edna Samuelson and Wednesday a daughter Smith. Durham.

The Third Rail System

Six regula: passenger coaches are being fitted with motors at the shops of the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad in New Haver. When comple ted they will be operated on the new Mr. T. B. Farwell spent a few days third rail system which is now in process of construction between Hartford and New Britain and between Middletown and New Britain. It has been found that the regular coaches can be trans. formed into motor cars with but

little difficulty. The special motors made for the company by the General Electric Company and used last year on the Nantasket spent Sunday with relatives in New Beach branch cars will be transferred to the cars that are being altered. The motor cars will be completed in two or three weeks and will be capable of haul ing from, four to six loaded passenger cars. Officials of the road say that the new system will surely be in operation by April 1 and that a strong effort will be made to have it ready by March 15

His Finger Enlarged.

According to the New York papers Thomas McGhee, 83 years old, of Haddam, arrived at Bellevue Hospital Thursday to be treated for a peculiar growth that has been slowly enlarging the index finger of his right hand for nearly ten years. Dr. Owsley of the hospital said that a microscopical examination of the tissues of the enlarged finger would be made to determine the nature of the growth. The finger is abnormal in size from the knuckle to the tip. The flesh is hard and apparently made up largely of cartilage. The finger of curing the disease. Mr. McGhee has consented, and the operation will be A party of cattle buyers were in town so simple that even at his age it will not

Legislative Notes.

The condition of our side walks for in the Senate chamber before the comthe bast month has been in a deplorable mittee on roads, bridges and rivers. when the end of the reins fails as a state, mud and water in some places Milon Pratt of Saybrook added to his moral suader we cut a stout switch for being from four to six inches in depth last Wednesday's opposition and our tender hearted driver, who with and even now there are snow banks said that the towns in the state are in many an admonition to "go long Nance," about one and a half feet in depth on such various conditions that no legisla- gently lays the switch upon her back. some of our main walks. It would be tion could do justice to them, unless the It might frighten a fly, but so far as dismuch to the benefit of the town to have matter of good roads be left for the concerting Nancy, that is not in the at least one good side walk the entire towns themselves. He thought that the length of Main street and have it clear- towns and state should share the expenses of highways. But where the county pleasures in this lovely spot. Shall I able to go about without the use of pays a third of the expense, a town pays a certain sum into the county the lake in our gallant little skiff that The aspirations of the B. H. S. boys treasury and then receives it back again. always has room for "one more." The for the pennant of the Southern Conn- Now that nearly all the towns and ecticut interscholastic base ball league counties are in debt it is high time to point as we row towards the pretty this year are very strong and already call a halt in good road expenses. In church that lies among the pine trees there are twenty men indulging in good closing Mr. Pratt said, "I advise only on the further shore. Now we enter in hard practice daily at the Gymnasium, one highway commissioner, for with one with the earnest worshipers and gather under the coaching of Messers. Peet the interest of the state would be better round the saintly white haired pastor

ESSEX.

The river begins to show signs of breaking up.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Redfield are visiting in Ashville, N. C. Mrs. Della Dickinson, of New Haven,

has been in town this week. Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Redfield, of Hartford, were visiting here this week.

Mr. Wm. Miller and Miss Annie Collomore spent Wednesday in Westville. The revival meetings in the Methodist church have been continued this week. The new macadamized road through Centerbrook will need some repairs this

spring. Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Burrows have returned from a ten days visit to friends in Boston, Mass.

J. F. Johnson, who is employed in New York, spent last Sunday at his home here.

E. Lane, of East Hartford, was a guest over Sunday at Deacon Charles Munger's.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Burnham, of Hartford, were guests at Mrs. C. G. Cheney last Monday. German measles are quite prevalent

just at present. Although not dangerous they are annoying to have.

last Sunday home with his family.

The Lutheran Swedes will hold serin the Conference house at Centerbrook. Chas. Nietzel, past master workman, has been in Boston this week attending a three days session of the grand lodge. Mr. and Mrs. Frank VanVoorhes, of Brooklyn, N. Y., have been guests this week of Mrs. Mary Thompson, North Main street.

here Monday last as there should have rior court established .- Penny Press. been. Not a vessel laying here had their flags up.

George Brockway, who is employed George Brockway, who is employed forts of your family. Should any one in Hartford, spent last Sunday with his of them catch a slight cold or cough, parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alexis Brockway, Meadow Woods.

Judging from the account published river here. Probably heir skins are sizes 50c and 25c. not as valuable as those captured in north seas.

The ladies of St. Mary's Guild of St. John's church will give a grand supper tendance and a social time is promised all are invited.

Leften cards were distributed at St. John's Episcopal church last Sunday: The special preacher will be the Rev Hiram Stone, of New York, a former rector of St. John's. He will preach next Thursday evening.

Another big piece of the roof of the old rope walk succumbed to the weight of snow and has fallen in. The lower observed here, numerous flags displayed half of the old walk begins to be a ples, founded on the gospel of Christ, at various private residences and at the wreck and is almost impassible. It may be worked out into the customs of school. The bank and post office were will be but a few years more before this society and the laws of the land .- W. C. | the only places of business to take ad- old land mark will be a thing of the

> Evaporated apples, apricots, peaches Bargains in Boss crack and sweet goods, sea shells for poultry at Miner & Co.

There has been a better showing this month than last in new arrivals in town. to Mr. and Mrs. John J. Davis.

IN THE LAND OF FLOWERS.

SWAN'S NEST,

WINTER HAVEN, FLORIDA, Feb. 17th. How is this? Oh ye dwellers amidst snow banks and zero. Our thermometer eighty at nine o'clock in the morning. Violets and cow slips for the picking, and fish; big fish too for the catching. he having caught the largest black bass on record in these waters-a good seven pounder, and Mrs. Miner one only seven ounces less. As the scaly monsters were drawn up to the boat side our faith in "Jonah's whale" was revived for the great mouth looked quite equal to a man at one gulp. Do you doubt our fish story? Go to-with your unpicture of the big fish and bigger fisherman. Yesterday the men of cur household emboldened by the success of last

week, declared like Peter of old, "I go a fishing!" That, the "better half" of at home," but, thanks to our kind and ever thoughtful host, "Naucy," the four footed friend of woman kind was harnessed to the lumber wagon and placed at our disposal for the day. Nancy, let me sing thy praise, most gentle, patient and adaptive beast, harness or no harness, for in the words of our venerable friend, Edwin, "If the breeching breaks all you have to do is to hold on to her tail and pull. If the wagon runs down hill it rests on her flanks without an objection on her part. If any strap or buckle gives way, just pin it with a hair or safety pin, Nancy will be the same docile beast." "Slow, do I hear you remark? Well, not quite a "Hanks" of racing fame, but plenty fast for sandy roads and dangling limbs, The hearing on the bills concerning that ache to jump out behind and pounce on every violet and wild flower and the road. Whip; we have none, but the road of the reins fails as a witch for good roads was continued Wednesday on every violet and wild flower along

> power of mortal woman. Fishing and riding are not our only ever torget the moonlight trips across beat of our oars echoing from point to who breaks to them "the bread of life." Fit teacher for a people who strive with the soil and weather for a livelihood, or bow in reverent prayer as the dear voice

> leads them to the Father's throne. and hand clasp of the brethren,brothers and sisters indeed, in Christ, as we separated for the night. God bless thee, sweet Winter Haven, dear old Lake Howard and thrice dear old friends and neighbors. Well may we say with the Psalmist of old, "May my right hand forget her cumming and my tongue cleave to the roof of my mouth. if I ever forget or cease to praise thee.

No More Courting in Haddam,

The old stone court house at Haddam has been abandoned for good. Expressman George Scoville drove to Haddam this morning removing all the law books, papers and furnishings and brought them to this city, where in future all sessions of the Superior court will be held. Middlesex has had two county seats and sessions of the Superior court have been at both places and of late much to the inconvenience of the judges. By a recent act of the Legislature it was made possible to abandon the county court house at Haddam, which has been a famous old building. Attorney A. W . Bacon, writing for the Hist-Abram Pratt, who is employed at his ory of Middlesex County, said: By the trade carpentering in Hartford, spent statues of 1796 it was provided that in the county of Middlesex a term of the Superior court should be held each year fice next Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock at Haddam on the last Tuesday of December, and at Middletown on the last Tuesday save in July. There were, besides, two terms of a county court held on the second Tuesday of November at Haddam and on the first Tuesday of April at Middletown. This arrangement of terms of courts, with some modifications as to time, continued until 1855, when the county court was abolished There were not as many flags flying and two additional terms of the Supe-

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Baptist Church.—Rev. Joseph McKeen, pastor. Sunday services at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday School at 12 m. Deacon's meeting 3rd Thursday of each month. Covenant meeting 3rd Friday of each month. The memorial supper 3d Sunday of each month. Prayer and Riole study meeting every Friday evening at 7;30, and Sunday evening at 6:30. The public cordially invited to all services. Strangers made welcome.

METHODIST CHURCH.—Rev. D. R. Dyson, pastor. Morning service at 10:30. Sunday School at 12 m. Evening service at 0:30. Class meeting Tuesday evening; regular prayer meeting Friday evening.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH.—Rev. Stephen Smith, pastor. Sunday services at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday School at 11:45 a. m. Christian Endeavor meeting Sunday evening at 6:30 o clock. Prayer meeting Friday evening at 7:00 p. m.

### THE FRATERNITIES.

Niantic Lodge, No. 17, I. O. O. F., meets every Vednesday evening in Union Hall. Bay View Lodge, No. 120, F. & A. M., meets every first and third Saturday in each month in Union Hail.

Union Lodge, No. 13, A. O. U. W., meets every first and third Monday in each month in Temperance Chapel.

Warren Council, No. 53, O. U. A. M. meets first, third and fifth Thursday in Temperance chapel.

Star of the Realm. No. 7093, Manchester Unity 1. O. O. F., meets second and fourth Monday evenings each month at Temperance chapel. Niantic Lodge, No. 241, N. E. O. P., meet second and fourth Thursday evening each month, in Temperance chapel.

### TALK OF THE TOWN.

Beni D Luce has returned from Delaware. Miss Marian I. Luce spent Sunday in

Niantic. Dolph Taylor has gone to Bridgeport

for a few days. Frederic Beebe has gone into the Havens' drug store

Gates Bros. received a car load of grain, Wednesday. Miss Nannie Davis has returned from

a visit in New York. Chas. Babcock made a business trip to Hartford last Tuesday.

Chas. P. Sturtevant of Norwich, was in the village last week. Chas. Peabody has gone to Washing

ton for a visit of two weeks. Mrs. Wm. Beebe and children, of

Guilford, are visiting here. Mr. and Mrs. George Hill are visiting in Bridgeport for two weeks.

Frank Harris and wife will soon move into one of the Bacon cottages.

Miss Fannie C. Raymond is the guest of Miss Jennie Turner in New London. Mrs. Chas. Redfield, of Madison, is visiting her mother, Mrs. Marie Bolles.

Benjamin Luce has returned home ess trip to Memphis, Tenn. The King's Daughters will meet with Miss Minnie Beebe on Thursday even-

Mrs. Crumb, of Old Mystic, is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. E. C. Chip-

Capt. James P. Clark, of East Marion, L. I., is the guest of his son, Everett Clarke. The NEWS is in receipt of the annual

report of the Connecticut Humane society

Arthur Wilcox, of East Berlin, is the guest of his grandmother, Mrs. William

Normal school, was at her home here Mrs. Fannie Rogers, of New London,

last week. Miss Alice Wheeler, of Winchendon,

was the guest of Rev. Joseph McKean and family last week.

Some individual, renowned for cussedness, poisoned George Congdon's pet dog "Spot," last week. Niantic Lodge, N. E. O. P. initiated

candidate at their last session and acted favorable on an application. The McCarter Minstrel troupe will

give an entertairment at the National house Wednesday evening. Fred Crosby, of Hartford, attended

the 19th annivarsary of Niantic Lodge, I. O. O. F., on Wednesday evening. Frederick A. Beckwith, D. Lynsted

Gates, Walton Gates and C. S. Davis were in Hartford last week Thursday. Niantic congratulates Joseph W. Spencer and Mrs. Spencer of Macon, Ga., on the birth of a son, born Febru-

ary 19. The Congregational Junior Endeavorers gave their first public exercise at the Congregational church, Sunday evening.

Messrs. Stowe and Henniger, of Middietown, and Sydleman, of Norwich, inspected their Crescent Beach property last week.

The Ladies Aid society of the Methodist church will give a social at the residence of Mrs. John Rook on Wed-

nesday evening. The ladies of the Baptist church will meet at the residence of Mrs. Jeanette

Beckwith on Wednesday evening. A supper will be served.

A dance will be given to a select gathering at the National House tonight. Music will be furnished by a New London orchestra.

The Grand Lodge, A. O. U. W., has indefinitely postponed the adoption of classified assessment plan, much to the satisfaction of its members in Niantic.

In the annual report of the Connecticut Humane society for 1896 are two joyably passed evening. Yes, the 19th WHEN YOU ARE IN TOWN cuts showing the condition of the barn anniversary of Niantic Lodge, No. 17., of the Rogers' brothers of Whistletown. I. O. O. F., was a grand affair, such as

Mrs. Hanson, who has been very ill for the past few weeks with consump tion, died yesterday. The funeral will take place from her late home on Wed-

Mrs. Edward Luce returned home from New York last Monday, having made a protracted stay in that city owing to the breaking of her arm. Her ing to the breaking of her arm. Her many friends are much pleased to see her at her Miantic home once more.

The Niantic Lib:ary association will hold a social at the residence of Mrs Asahel Roland DeWolf, Wednesday

The ladies society of the Congregaduring the evening. The sale of fancy | sought after. The object of the pro article was large.

Mrs. George D. Adamson, of this town, who has been visiting at Mt. Vernon at the home of John Donaldson, a foot pad. They screamed for help, and is as follows: escape with the pocket book which contained about \$15.

the LeCount residence lately purchased by him and will utilize the building as a hotel in the future. Mr. Gates has Petah Johnsing...... A ge'man of color been proprietor of the Bay View hotel Mr. William Daniels for a number of years past. Mr. Gates is at present having an office built on the west side of the building. It will Esquire Synder be two stories high. This will close John, the boatman ... Mr. F. W. Clapp the lane to the public. The stables have also undergone many alterations. "Twin Sisters."

The operatta "twin sisters," which Miss Leach's chorus class have for some time been rehearsing, is now progressing rapidly and will probably be given before long. The concert will consist of two parts, part first including glees, duets, solos, etc., part two, the operetta which is a beautiful romance in song. The music throughout is especially pleasing, brilliant here and there with a gypsy chorus, or a dainty May song, interspersed with pathetic solos and duets where the thread of the story is carried on by the different singers. The entire evening promises to be one of the musical treats of the year and as the characters are chiefly personated by local talent, it will probably receive the patronage which it deserves. The date of the recital will be given later also a cast of the characters.

ODD FELLOWS CELEBRATE.

Niantic Lodge, I. O. O. F. Gives a Banquet in Honor of its Nineteenth Anniversary Witty speeches, handsome women, a sumptous banquet and a joyous time made the celebration of the 19th anniversary of Niantic Lodge, No. 17, J. O. O. F., the most successful of any given during the existance of the lodge. Nature smiling with benevolence and good wishes, favored the lodge with a most delightful evening. All day long work fairly glowed at the lodge rooms, where preparations were being busily made for the anticipated guests. When the guests did arrive, all was in readiness for the reception. The lodge rooms were dazzling with bright lights. The members of the lodge, arrayed in their regalias, hurried to and fro greeting the assembling company. The buzzing conversation mingled now and then with savory odors from the kitchen be low, where Chief Russell held sway, greeted the cars and nostrils of the incommers. By eight o'clock the lodge rooms were full to overflowing and it was then that Noble Grand Wm. Beebe arcse and called the meeting to order, thereby opening the exercise of the evening. Mr. Beebe tendered the honorary position of the evening to Past Grand C. S. Davis, a position which he has occupied, this the 19th time. Mr. Miss Helen Dyson, of the Willimantic Davis on assuming the chair, made a most pleasing speech describing, in brief, the struggles and trials of Niantic Lodge to keep its head above water was the guest of relatives in the village after its organization despite the inimical predictions of many. Past Grand Master Ware, president of the Odd Fel-

lows Home was next called upon, who essayed on the many benefits derived from Odd Fellowship, vouching his statements with strong and irrefutable arguments. He also touched upon the Odd Fellow's Home, explaining to his attentive and interested listeners, the

many workings of the management and the contentment and happiness of the inmates. Deputy Grand Master Blain of Waterbury responded to the call of Mr. Davis and kept his listeners deeply interested First-class teaus at all times,

on the subjet which he had in his

speech Speakers at large were next called upon, D. Lynsted, Dr. E. C. Chipman, Chas. Leonard, Rev. Jo eph McKean Charles Gates, F. P. Bacon and many others. Noyes Getchell and Samuel Rogers also favored the assemblage with their characteristic speeches, which put guests in excellent humor, neither could anyone refrain from laughter and applause at their bright and witty remarks. The crowd was nearly famished by this time, but was relieved from further anxiety by the telephone communications from the regions below. Chief Russeli's fame is broad, but never before has he received so many flatterings comments as on that night. The oyster stew was cooked in an inimitable manner. As soon as the guests had seated themselves at the table, resplendent with sparkling glass and shining silver, a busy hum of animated conversation and the musical sound of knives and forks. The heart lacked nothing

of the equally divided repast. The tables were weighed down with fruit and cake, cake such as Niantic housewives have become famous for. When the desire for food and drink had been appeased, the hour was late or more Thursday morning. Slowly the departing crowd wended its way homeward

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Thomas Maxwell..... A villair Mr. C H. Bush. Chas H. Gates will shortly move to Frank Montgomery. An innocent abroad Mr. J. H. Beckwith. Mike McGann .... Just from the Boggs

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Burk, the detective 

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## **Scrofula Sores**

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lood's Pills are the best after-dinner pills, aid digestion. 25c.

A Kemarkable Friendship.

One of the severest tests of friendship recorded in the annals of history has just come to light in Pasadens in the course of the trial of a Mexican who stuck his knife twice into the bdomen of a loving chum. The injured man has arisen from his bed to ain to the Court that the attempt of his friend to engage in a little sportive vivisection has not altered the sentiment of affectionate regard existing between them. The spirit of carver was said to be altogether icable, and the mutual attachment of former days has not been impaired. After all, the Shakespearean critics ax in leading an unsuspecting publie to believe that Shylock entertained in his heart anything but an undying affection for the Merchant of Venice when he demanded his pound of flesh.

Los Angeles (Cal.) Times.

### A LETTER TO WOMEN

From Mrs. James Corrigan.

For seventeen years I have suffered Periods were so very painful that I would have to go to the doctor every

He said that I had an enlargement of the womb, and told my husband that I must undergo an speration, as I had sumors in the womb, and it was a case of life or death. al was operated upon bwice, but it did not seem to do me any good, it made ne very weak. I was troubled with the leu-I also suffer 000000 d with the

ime, terrible pain in my left side, chills, tom of appetite, and could not sleep aights. After taking several bottles of Lydis E. Pinkham's Vegetable Comsound, some Liver Pills, and using your senative Wash, I recovered.

I can eat well, and every one that sees me tells me I am a different perwell and feel well. I am growing stronger every day, and am able to go sut and enjoy a walk and not feel all tired out when I return, as I used to. I tored for sixteen years, and in all see years I did not feel as well as I do at the present time. I wish that every an that is troubled as I was, would by that medicine. Oh! it is so good o feel well, and it is all owing to Mrs. Pinkham's kind advice and medicine. MRS. JAMES CORRIGAN, 284 Center St., ce Plain, Mass.

A Floral Puzzle. The behavior of our common even-

ing primrose, at the opening of the

flowers, has been a puzzle for a century. Toward evening the petals expand with a suddenness that is surprising, and the exterior envelope, the calyx, not only expands, but recurves on the capsule and flower stalk. It has hitherto been referred to the generation of heat within the inclosed petals. It has been demonstrated that n many flowers there is a rapid rise in the temperature just before expansion. This has been a matter of actual experiment in the case of many of the Arum family, and among palms. Thermometers have been inserted in the unopened spathes, and the facts well ascertained. There are no recorded experiments on the evening primrose; but it is assumed that the increased temperature is here as well as in other cases. But the careful scientific man has been loth to accept mere assumption, and M. Rose has been again over the matter and has recently given his conclusion in the "Bulletin" of the Botanical Society of France. He ignores now the theory of expansion by heat and refers the act to the operation of the moisture expanding within the inclosed petals proportionate to the amount of heat the plant was under during the day. There does not eem to be much difference between the two notions, except that the extra heat is supposed to be absorbed from the outside instead of being generated within. So far as the act itself is concerned, the internal heat would undoubtedly tend to vaporize whatever might be inside the inclosure, and it would take a nice experiment to decide in this case whether the heat or the moisture was the leading factor. But neither speculation accounts for the recurving of the sepals. - Independent.

Defective Sight,

The school children of Baltimore have been undergoing examination to test the condition of their eyesight, with some interesting results. Out of fifty-three thousand pupils over nine thousand were found with such defective evesight as to make it unsafe for them to continue their studies. The report was that the percentage of normal vision was found to be, first grade, 35: second, 41; third, 47; fourth, 49; fifth, 48; sixth, 48; seventh, 54; and eighth, 56 per cent. A curious result of the examination is that there is a steady decrease in defective eyesight from the second to the eighth grade; and another important item is that a number of children who were pronounced almost hopelessly stupid by their teachers have been amazingly improved and are making fair progress in their studies since they have adopted their glasses. This experiment has awakened general interest mong teachers, who are wondering if much of the stupidity noticeable in many backward pupils may not be attributable to the difficulty they find in distinguishing objects, and whether they may not be benefited by the use

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Breeding Pheasants.

In their annual report the commissioners of fisheries and game of Massachusetts state that the propagation and distribution of Mongolian pheasants has been successfully carried on during the past season at the State aviances. Something over two hunired chicks, which had been allowed their freedom in the large inclosure, were trapped in October and put in a covered corral twenty-eight by sixty eet in area. This proved too small for so many birds, and there was a small loss, the stronger birds maltreating the weaker ones, This will be obviated next year by sending the birds

out as soon as they are trapped. A few birds were distributed last year to responsible persons with the understanding that they were to breed and turn them out in their re spective localities. Only three were successful in raising birds, but they are confident that past experience wil lead to success in the future, and that thus the ruffed grouse, which are rapidly nearing extermination, will be replaced. - Norwich (Conn.) Bulletin.

A Power That Cannot Be Stolen. According to the Electric Review, it as been decided by a court in Germany that electricity cannot be tolen. An electric light company discovered that a man had tapped the wires and was using electricity as power. Several thousand amperes of current had been consumed when the discovery was made. The question arose in court whether an invisible. intangible material could be carried off. With a curious disregard for the very evident facts in the case, the court ruled that only a movable, material object could be stolen. They decided that electricity did not come under that head, and the appropriator of the electric current was allowed to

### Spectacle Charity.

A useful charity, called the London Spectacle Mission, provides spectacles for needlewomen and other deserving persons dependent upon their eyesight for a living. Last year 726 applicants were provided with spectacles. - Pittsburg Dispatch.

RECIPES. Sago Soup--Prepere stock as for any soup. Put one-half cup of sago into cold water and cook slowly until soft; take three eggs and one cup of milk: let it thicken on the back of the

> eggs, just before serving. Fresh Mackerel with Cream Gravy-Clean and wash one good sized mackerel; broil or fry nearly done. Then place in small roastpan; pour over a pint of cream, sprinkle with salt and pepper, place in oven and bake ten minutes. When nice and brown dish and serve at once.

Fried Apples-Fry a small piece of and fry a delicate brown; no season. other professions and callings."

ing is required, but a teaspoonful of butter and a sprinkling of sugar may

FARM AND HOUSEHOLD

CISTERNS UNDER BARNS.

cattle it will shelter. If this water

barn basement, and filtered before

using, it is much the best water the

stock can have for drink. In the base-

freezing temperature, which is an im-

cold has to be warmed to animal heat

by the carbonaceous food that the

animal has digested. If it is a milch

cow that has its water thus warmed,

it detracts just so much from the but-

ter fats which the milk will contain.

That is about as expensive warmth,

even at low prices for butter, as the

SPRING TREE PLANTING.

Persons desiring to plant trees in

the spring will do well to dig the

holes for the trees in the fall or at any

time in the winter when the ground is

not frozen. Usually trees are planted

in clay soils. The freezing and thaw-

ing fines the earth around the sides of

the hele and also the earth thrown

out of the hole. If this is placed in a

heap as it should be it sheds the water

and is dry enough for planting much

newly dug holes. This plan also facil-

itates early spring planting. The

holes should be two feet in diameter

and two feet deep. Mr. Vergon, who

has large orchards near Delaware.

pursues this plan in all his planting

and when going over his place a few

weeks ago, I saw hundreds of holes

ready for spring planting. The soil

was in choice condition for the trees.

It had been raining nearly all day yet

on examination we found the soil in

suitable condition for immediate

planting. If water is standing in the

holes when planting time comes it is

baled out. Mr. Vergon's orchards

have been planted in sod away from

the trees he has. He has succeeded in

securing nice thrifty bearing trees of

nearly every tree planted. The 15th

of December he had about 6000 bushels

of choice apples in his fruit cellars.-

CROSSING DUCKS FOR MARKET.

Every attempt made to procure

choice ducks for market by crossing

the breeds has resulted in dissatisfac-

tion compared with the use of the

pure bred Pekins. The Cayuga and

Pekin cross is an excellent one, but

the black pin-feathers of the Cayuga

make picking more laborious. Crosses

of Rouens and Pekins have not given

any advantages, and the same is true

of the Aylesbury and Peking Cross

The cross of the Muscovy drake and

Pekin ducks gives fine market birds,

but the cross-bred birds are quite

sterile, their eggs not hatching. So

as a market duck against all competi

CAVALRY HORSES.

horses are bought are as follows: The

Silver Knight.

earlier in the season than earth from

farmer ever pays for.

Every barn will shed from its roof

be used, if preferred. Tartare Sauce-The volk of two unenough water for all the stock that can cooked eggs, half a cupful of oil, three be kept on the feed it contains or the tablespoonfuls of vinegar, one of mustard, one-fourth of a teaspoonful is duly conducted into a cistern in the of salt, one of onion juice, one tablespoonful of chopped capers, one of chopped cucumber pickles. Make the same as mayonnaise dressing, adding ment the water will never be down to the chopped ingredients last. portant matter, as every degree of

### The West Indies.

Only a few years ago Spain owned the entire West Indies. One by one, however, she has relinquished her grasp upon these fair islands, until now her possessions are restricted to only two of them-Cuba and Porto Rico.

As to the other members of the group they belong severally to England, France, Holland and Denmark. Two of the islands, however, are not ncluded in this division, as they are separate and independent. These are Hayti and San Domingo.

Among the British possessions in the West Indies are Jamaica, the Bahamas, St. Lucia, St. Vincent, the Barbadoes, St. Christopher, Nevis, Antigua, Montserrat, Dominica, Trinidad and the Virgin islands.

The Guadeloupe archipelago is wned by France, together with St. Bartholemew and Martinique. On the latter island Empress Josephine first saw the light of day and lived until her sixteenth year.

Five members of the group belong to Holland. These are Curacoa, Bonaire, Aruba, St. Eustatius and St. Martin. Though small islands, they are well populated and fertile.

The Danish possessions are Santa Cruz, St. Thomas and St. John.

Grouping these several possessions ogether they embrace 92,270 square miles of land and sustain 5,070,038 inhabitants. Of this aggregate, Great Britain controls 12,000 square miles and 1,300,000 inhabitants; France, 1103 square miles and 500,000 inhabitants; Holland, 434 square miles and 50,000 inhabitants, and Denmark, 223 square miles and 40,000 inhab. itants. The two independent islands, Hayti and Domingo, contain 24,000 square miles and 1,000,000 inhab-

While Cubs and Porto Rico are now under dominion of Spain, it will be only a short time before they acquire their independence. If Hayti and San Domingo can sustain independent self-governments there is no reason why Cuba and Porto Rico cannot do the same. These islands contain 49 .. 000 square miles and 2,225,000 inhab-

From these figures it will be observed that other European nations as well as Spain are interested in the Cuban uprising .- Atlanta Constitu-

far the Pekin seems to hold its ground His Rule Cost Him Dearly, "The late Senator Leland Stanford tors. Ducks should be laying eggs at received probably more anonymous this season of the year, and if properly letters and paid loss attention to them managed they will do much better than any man I know of," said an ofthan hens. Give them animal food, ficial of the Senate. "His rule was to such as ground meat, at least once a throw them away and pay no attention day, and also a mess of cut elover. to their contents. As a railroad Presiscalded. They prefer soft food, such dent for many years he had received as cooked turnips, thickened with thousands of them, and he carried out equal parts of bran and cornmeal. the same rule after he entered public which provides an excellent meal for life as a Senator. I remember one them. If laying regularly, give them evening I was in his office. Among a meal three times a day. Keep the his callers was a colored man who floor of their quarters covered two claimed to be a minister and to be the inches deep with straw, and also keep President of a college and orphan the quarters clean, as ducks will not asylum in South Carolina. The Senathrive on damp floors.-Farm and tor was very busy that evening, and he closed up the appeal of the minister for money to help carry on his good work by saving: The specifications laid down by the Government under which cavalry "'If you will not detain me listening

to your appeal I will give you \$100

in the morning, I would rather give cavalry horse must be sound, wellbred and of superior class; gentle unyou that sum than to listen to your claims to night.' der the saddle, free from vicious "The minister thanked him and dehabits, with free and prompt action at the walk, trot and gallop; without parted with a smile on his face. The following morning I had some busiblemish or defect; of kind disposition, with easy mouth and gait and otherness with the Senator and was in his wise to conform to the fellowing deoffice early. Soon after I arrived there the South Carolina minister put scription: A gelding of uniform and hardy color, in good condition, from in an appearance to get the money promised him the night before. The 15.1 to 16 hands high, weighing not less than 950 or more than 1150 pounds, Senator sent down word to one of his clerks to make out a check for \$100. and from four to eight years old; head The clerk came up and whispered to and ears small, forehead broad, eyes the Senator that the mail that morning large and prominent with perfect vishad brought a letter saying that a ion in every respect; shoulders long minister was a fraud and swindler. The and sloping well back; chest full, clerk answered that it was anonymous, broad and deep; forelegs straight and but that he had reasons for believing standing well under; barrel large and the statements in regard to the minis? increasing from girth toward flank; withers elevated, back short and ter were true. straight, loins and haunches broad and muscular, hocks well bent, and under the horse, pastern slanting, and feet

"You know,' said the senator, 'my rule is to pay no attention to anony. mous letters. Give him the check, for I promised I would do so. I can make small and sound. Each horse will be subjected to a rigid inspection, and no exceptions to the rule.' The check was made out and handed to the minany animal that does not meet the above requirements in every respect ister, and he again departed smiling. The day following the so-called miniswill be rejected. A horse under four ter was arrested and arraigned in the years old will not be accepted unless courts as a general swindler, the charge he be an especially fine animal well having been made by the officers of a developed. Every accepted animal must be provided with a strong hemp colored organization here. There was halter free of charge to the Governplenty of evidence to substantiate the charge. Senator Stanford's rule cost him \$100 that time, as it had undoubtedly cost him a great deal more in other ways, but it was his rule, and he adhered to it strictly."-Washington Star.

## Printers Are Angelic.

Notwithstanding the popular imstove, and add to the soup, with the pression that newspaper men are bad men and that printing offices are dens of diabolism, statistics recently collected by the Philadelphia Bulletin show that this is wrong. One of the Bulletin's authorities testifies thus: "In looking over a book containing the records of prisoners I find that in the State penitentiary of Texas, out of 3890 convicts, there is not a single newspaper man or printer. There pickled pork; when done remove it, were, however, ministers, doctors, and place in the same pan six large bankers, barbers, photographers, barapples, cut in quarters and cored, cover keepers, cooks and members of all REV. DR. TALMAGE.

SUNDAY'S DISCOURSE BY THE NOTED DIVINE.

Subject: "A Shattered Faith," TEXT: "And some on broken pleces of the ship."—Acts xxvii., 44.

Never off Geedwin sands or the Skerries Never off Geedwin sands or the Skerries or Cape Haiteras was a ship in worse predication than, in the Mediterranean hurricane; was the grain ship on which 276 passelligers were driven on the coast of Malta, five miles from the metropolis of that island; called Citta Vecchia. After a two weeks' tempest, when the ship was entirely disabled and captain and crew had become completely demoralized, an old missionary took command of the vessel. He was small, crooked-backet and sore-eyed, according to tradition. It was Paul, the only unscared man aboard. He was no more alraid unscared man aboard. He was no more alraid of a Euroclydon tossing the Mediterranean sea, now up to the gates of heaven and now sinking it to the gates of hell, than he was no more alraid to the gates of hell, than he was sinking it to the gates of hell, than he was afraid of a kitten playing with a string. He ordered them all down to take their rations, first asking for them a blessing. Then he insured all their lives, telling them they would be rescued, and, so far from losing their heads, they would not lose so much of their hair as you could but off with one silet. their heads, they would not lose so much of their hair as you could cut off with one click of the seissors—nay, not a thread of it, whether it were gray with age or golden with youth, "There shall not a hair fall from the head of any of you."

Knowing that they can never get to the de-Knowing that they can never get to the desired port, they make the sea on the fourteenth night black with overthrown cargo, so that when the ship strikes it will not strike so heavily. At daybreak they saw a creek and in their exigency resolved to make for it. And so they cut the cables, took in the two paddles they had on those oil boats and holged the materials. the two paddles they had on those oil boats and hoisted the main-ail so that they might come with such force as to be driven high up on the beach by some fortunate billow. There she goes, tumbling towards the rocks, now prow foremost, now stern foremost, now rolling over to the starboard, how over to the lathoard, now over to rolling over to the starboard, how over to the larboard; now a wave dashes clear over the deck, and it seems as if the old craft has gone forever. But up she comes again. Paul's arms around a mast, he criest "All is wall. Go.l has given me all those that sail with me." Crash went the prow, with such force that it broke off the mast. Crash went the timbers till the star starbed through fixen side it did not the seas rushed through from side to side of the vessel. She parts amidships, and into a vessel. She parts amidships, and into a thousand fragments the vessel goes, and into the waves 276 immortals are precipitated. Some of them had been brought up on the seashore and had learned to swim, and with their chins just above the waves and by the strokes of both arms and propulsion of both feet they put out for the beach and reached it. But also for those others! They have hever learned to swim, or they were wounded by the falling of the mast, or the nervous shock was too great for them. And nervous shock was too great for them. And others had been weakened by long seasick-

On, what will become of them? "Take that plece of a rudder," says Paul to one.
"Take that fragment of a spar," says Paul to another. "Take that image of Castor and Pollux." "Take that plank from the lifeboat."
"Take anything and head for the bagob." beach." What a struggle for life in the breakers! Oh, the merciless waters, now they sweep over the heads of m-n, women and children! Hold on there! Almost ashore. Keep up your codrage. Remember what Paul fold you. There the receding wave on the beach leaves in the receding wave. sand a whole family. There crawls up out of the surf the centurion. There another plank omes in, with a life clinging fast to it. There another piece of the shattered vessel, with nust by this time all be saved. Yes: there comes in last of all, for he had been oversee-ing the rest, the old missionary, who wrings the water from his gray beard and cries out, Thank God, all are here!

Gather around a fire and call the rell, and builds a fire, and when the bundle of sticks begins to crackle, and, standing and lothes begin to dry. and warmth begins to come into all the shivering passengers, let e purser of the vessel go round and see if any of the poor creatures are missing. Not one of the crowd that were plunged into the Sea. How it relieves our anxiety as we read:
"Some on broken pieces of the ship. Aid so
it came to pass that they escaped all safe to

Having on previous occasions looked at the other passengers, I confine myself to-day to an examination of those who came in on broken pieces of the ship. There is intense interest. I am not so much interested in those that could swim. They got ashore, as I expected. A mile of water is not a very great undertaking for a strong swimmer, or even two miles are not. But I cannot stop thinking about those on broken pieces of the ship.

The great gospel ship is the finest of the universe and can carry more passengers than any craft ever constructed, and you could no more wreck it than you could

wreck the throne of God Almighty. I wish all the people would come aboard of her. I could not promise a smooth voyage, for oft-times it will be tempestuous or a chopped sea, but I could promise safe arrival for all who took passage on that Great Eastern, so out of the east, the star of the east a badge f his authority. But a vast multitude do not take regular passage. Their theology is broken in pieces, and their life is broken in pieces, and their habits are broken in pieces, and their word

and spiritual prospects are broken in pieces, and yet I believe they are going to reach the shining shore, and I am encouraged by the experience of those people who are spoken of in the text, "Some on broken pieces of the ship."
One object in this sermon is to encourage

all those who cannot take the whole sys-tem of religion as we believe it, but who really believe something, to come ashore on

that one plank.

I do not underrate the value of a great theological system, but where in all the Bible is there anything that says Believe in John Calvin and thou shalt be saved? or, believe in Arminius and thou shalt be saved? or, believe in synod of Dort and thou shalt be saved? or, believe in the Thirty-nine Articles and thou shalt be saved? Thirty-nine Articles and thou snair oe saved?

A man may be orthodox and go to heli, or
heterodox and go to heaven. The man who
in the deep affection of his heart accepts
Christ is saved, and the man who does not

accept him is lost.

I believe in both the Heidelberg and Westminster catechisms, and I wish you all did, but you may believe in nothing they contain except the one idea, that Christ came to save sinners, and that you are one of them, and you are instantly rescued. If you can come in on the grand old ship, I would rather have you get aboard, but if you can only find a piece of wood as long as the human body, or a piece as wide as the outman body, or a piece as wide as the out-spread human arms, and either of them is a piece of the cross, come in on that piece Tens of thousands of people are to-day kept out of the Kingdom of God because they

cannot believe everything.

I am talking with a man thoughtful about his soul who has lately traveled through New England and passed the night at Andover. He says to me, "I cannot believe that in this life the destiny is a traverse by ferrical travel." in this life the destiny is irrevocably fixed; 1 think there will be another opportunity of repentance after death." Isay to him: "My brother, what has that to do with you? brother, what has that to do with you? Don't you realize that the man who waits for another chance after death when he has a good chance before death is a stark foo!? Had not you better take the plank that is thrown to you now and head for shore rather than wait for a plank that may by invisible hands be thrown to you after you are dead? The seven places to you after you are dead? Do as you please, but as for myself, with pardon for all my sins offered me now, and all the joys of time and eternity offered me now. I instantly take them, rather than run the risk of such other chance as wise men think they can peel off or twist out of a Scripture passage that has for all the Christian conturies been interpreted another way." You say, "I do not like Princeton theology, or New do not like Princeton theology, or New Haven theology, or Andover theology. I do not ask you on board either of these great men-of-war, their portholes filled with the I do ask you to take the one plank of the gospel that you do believe in and strike out for the pearl strung beach of heaven."

Says some other man, "I would attend to religion if I was quite sure about the doctrine of election and free agency, but that mixes me all up." Those things used to bother me, but I have no more perplexity about them, for I say to myself, "It I love Christ and live a good, honest, useful life, I I am elected to be saved, and if I do not love Ohrist and live a bad life I will be damned, and all the tneological seminaries of the universe cannot make it any different." I floundered a long while in the sea of sin and doubt, and it was as rough as the Mediterranean on the fourrough as the Mediterranean on the four sinner, and that plank I took, and I have rming myself by the bright fire on the shore ever since.

While I am talking to another man about

his soul he tells me, "I do not become a Christian because I do not believe there is any hell at all." Ah, don't you? Do all the people of all beliefs and no belief at all, of good morals and bad morals go straight to a happy heaven? Do the holy and the de-bauched have the same destination? At midbauched have the same destination? At midnight, in a hallway, the owner of a house and a burglar meet. They both rights of "the masses" by an appeal to arms.

fire, and both are wounded; but the burgler dies in five minutes, and the owner of the house lives a week after. Will the of the house lives a week atter. burglar be at the gate of heaven; waiting; burglar be at the gate of heaven; waiting;

when the house owner comes in? Will the debauchee and the litertifie go right in among the families of heaven? I wonder if Herod is playing on the banks of the river of life with the children he massacred. I wonder if Charles Guiteau and John Wilkes Booth are up there shooting at a mark. I do not now controver it; although I must set that for such a miserable heaven I have no admiration. But the Bible does not say, "Believe in perdition and be saved." Because all are saved, according to your theory, that cough not to keep you from love ing and, serving Christ. Do not refuse to come ashore because all the others, according to your theory, are going to get shore:
You may have a different theory about themistry about ashorements.

istry, about astronomy, about the atmosphere from that which others door; but you are not therefore hindered from action: Because your theory of light is different from others do not refuse to open your eyes. Because your theory of air is different you Bocause your theory of air is different you do not refuse to breathe. Because you'd theory about the stellar system is different you'd theory about the stellar system is different you'd do hot fefuse to acknowledge the north star. Why should the fact that your theological theories are different hinder you from acting upon what you know? If you have not a whole ship fastened in the theological drydocks to bring you to wharfage, you have at least a plank: "Some on broken pieces of the ship." of the ship."
"But I don't believe in revivals!" Then

go to your room and all alone, with your door locked, give your heart to God; and join some church where the thermometer never gets higher than fifty in the shide, "But I do not believe in baptism!" Come in without it and settle that matter after-ward: "But there are so many in-consistent Christians!" Then come consistent Christians!" Then come in and show them by a good example how professors should act. "But I don't believe it the Old Testament!" Then come it out the New. "But I don't like the Book of Romans." Then come in on Matthew or Luke. Refusing to come to Christ; whom you admit to he the Seven of the State of of the whom you admit to be the Saviour of the lost, because you cannot admit other things: you are like a man out there in that Meditoryou are like a man out there in that Meditor-rainean tempest and tossed in the Meditol breakers, refusing to come ashore until he can mend the pieces of the broken ship. I hear him say: "I won't go in on any of these planks until I know in what part of the ship they belong: When I can get the wind-liss in the right place, and the sails set, and that keel piece where it belongs, and that floor timber right; and the ropes untangled, I will go ashore. I am an old sailor; and know all about ships for forty years; and as soon as I can get the vessel afloat in good shape I will come in:" A man drifting by on a plece of wood overhears him and says: "You a piece of wood overhear him and says: "Yo will drown before you get that ship it constructed: Better do as I am doing: know nothing about ships, and never saw one before I came on board this, and I can-not swim a stroke, but I am going ashore on this shivered timber." The man in the offing, while trying to mend his ship, goes lown. The man who trusted to the plank is saved: Oh, my brother, let your smashed up system of theology go to the bottem, while you come in on a splintered spar!

"Some on broken pieces of the ship."

If you can believe nothing else, you certainly believe in vicarious suffering, for you see it almost every day in some shape. The steamship Kuickerbocker, of the Cromwell line, running between New Orleans and New York: was in grant steams and the acceptance. York; was in great storms, and the captain and crew saw the schooner Mary D. Cran-mer; of Philadelphia, in distress. The weather cold, the waves mountain high; the first officer of the steamship and four men put out in a lifeboat to save the crew of the schooner, and reached the vessel and towed it out of danger, the wind shifting so that the schooner was saved. But the five men of the steamship coming back, their boat carsized, yet righted again and came on, the sailors coated with ice. The boat on, the sallors coated with lee. The boat capsized again, and three times upset and was righted, and a line was thrown the poor fellows, but their hands were frozen so they could not grasp it, and a great wave rolled over ther,, and they went down, never to rise again till the sea gives up its dead. Appreciate that beroism and salf dead. dead. Appreciate that heroism and sell sacrifice of the brave fellows all who can more overwhelming surge to bring us out o infinite peril into everlasting safety? The wave of human hate rolled over him from one side and the wave of hellish fury rolled ness of the night and the thunder of the tempest into which Christ plufiged for our

Come in on the narrow beam of the cross. Let all else go and cling to that; put that under you, and with the earnestness of a swimmer struggling for his life put out for shore. There is a great warm fire of welcome already built, and already many, who were as far out as you are, are standing in its genial and heavenly glow. The angels of God's rescue are wading out into the sur! to clutch your hand, and they know how exhausted you are and all the redowned predicts of you are, and all the redeemed prodigals o heaven are on the beach with new white robes to clothe all those who come in on

broken pieces of the ship.

My sympathies are for such all the more because I was naturally skeptical, disposed to question everything about this life and the next, and was in danger of being farther out to sea than any of the 276 in the Mediterranean breakers, and I was sometimes the annoyance of my theological professor because I asked so many questions. But I came in on a plank. I knew Christ was the Saviour of sinners and that I was a sinner, and I got ashore, and I do not propose to go out on that sea again. I have not for thirty minutes discussed the controverted points of theology in thirty years, and during the rest of my ife I do not propose to discuss them for hirty seconds.

I would rather in a mud scow try to

weather the worst oyelone that ever swept up from the Caribbean, than risk my immortal soul in useless and perilous discussions in which some of my brethren in the ministry are indulging. They remind me of a company of sailors standing on the Ramsort which head from which the lifeberts are gate pier head, from which the lifeboats are usually launched, and coolly discussing the different styles of oarlocks and how eep a boat ought to set in the water while a purricane is in full blast and there are three steamers crowded with passengers going to pleces in the offing. An old tar, the muscles of his face working with nervous excitement, cries out: "This is no time to discuss such things. Man the lifeboat! Who will volun-teer? Out with her into the sur!! Pull, my lads; pull for the wreck! Ha, ha! Now we have them. Lift them in and lay them lown on the bottom of the boat. Jack, you try to bring them to. Put these flannels around their heads and feet, and I will pul or the snore. God help me! There! Landed Huzza!" When there are so many struggling in the waves of sin and sorrow and wretchdness, let all else go but salvation for time and salvation forever.
You admit you are all broken up, one de-

cade of your life gone by, two decades, three decades, four decades, a half century, perhaps three-quarters of a century, gone. The hour hand and the minute hand of your clock of life are almost parallel, and soon it will be 12 and your day ended. Clear dis-couraged, are you? I admit it is a sad thing give all of our lives that are worth any last make God a present of a first rate corpse. But the past you cannot recover. Get on board that old ship you never will. Have you only one more year left, one more month, one more week, one more day, one more hour—come in on that. Perhaps if you get to heaven God may let you go out on some great mission to some other where you can atone for your lack of service in this.

From many a deathbed I have seen the hands thrown up in deploration something like this: "My life has been wasted. I had good mental faculties and fine social position and great oppor-tunity, but through worldliness and neg lect all has gone to waste save these lew remaining hours. I now accept o His mercy, but alas, alas, that when I migh have entered the haven of eternal rest with a full cargo, and been greeted by the wav-ing hands of a multitude in whose salvation I had borne a blessed part, I must confess now enter the harbor of heaven on broken

BANANA GROWING NOT A BONANZA. Consul in Honduras Answers Many American Inquiries.

Banana growing in Honduras is not a bonanza, says United States Consul Jarin-gan, at Utilla, a port of the Bay Islands. The officer has been overwhelmed by letters from people in the United States who, under the impression that "the royal road to for tune is the banana plantation," want to know all about this industry. The consul answered these letters until he exhausted his own resources, no postage stamps being allowed by the State Department for that service, and then wrote an official report to the teenth night, when they threw the grain department describing all of the conditions overboard, but I saw there was mercy for a of banana culture in Honduras. His conclusion is that the idea of enormous profits is a myth equalled only by the fabulous tales of the wealth of mineral ores that lie hidden everywhere among the crags and cliffs of the Honduran coast.

> A Remarkable Assertion. General Master Workman Sovereign of the

the Knights of Labor has written a letter, in

A DECADE OF AGONY. A Young Eady of East Syfacuse Tells Her

From the Standard, Syracuse, N. Y. Miss Rosamond Ash, who resides with her father, Mr. C. S. Ash, on Manlins Street, Syracuse, forwards the following testimonial to the virtues of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills and account of her sufferings; which is Startlingly interesting:

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Agony.

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which I took according to directions, and I began to recover, getting stronger every day. I kept on with Dr. Williams' remely until I had taken two dozen boxes, and by that time, every trase of houmanism was gone, and I had taken two dozen boxes, and by that time, every trase of houmanism was gone, and I had I am now as well as ever I was.

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### The Progress of Remorse

It is related as a fact that about a rear ago a house in Wichita Kan. was entered by a burglar and a pocket book containing a sum of money was stolen. A few days ago the owner of the purse received a letter through the mails enclosing a \$10 bill on the following note: "A year ago I stole a pocket book from you containing \$60. have been sick, and remorse has been gnawing at my heart, so I send you 10. When remorse gnaws again I will send you some more. "BURGLAR,"

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Romance of a Pension, In the Pension Office a few weeks

ago, says W. E. Curtis in a letter to the Chicago Record, one of the examinets, to whom was referred the application of a veteran, ascertained rom the records that a woman had been drawing a pension for several years as his widow. When he was notified of that fact he wrote back for further information, and within a few weeks husband and wife were reunited after a separation of thirty-two years. For some reason that has not been explained they ceased to correspond during the war, and he never returned to his old home. In the meantime his wife supported herself and three of four children, who have grown up to manhood and womanhood, and several years ago made application for a widow's pension, and it was granted



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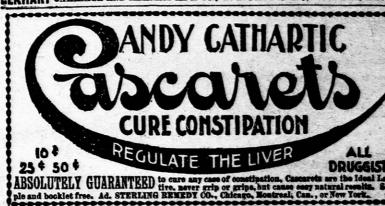
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